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Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305),
Food and Drug Administration
5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061
Rockville, MD 20852

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Dear Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration,

I am writing in regards to the regulations requiring irradiated food to be labeled as such. As a health conscious and environmentally concerned consumer, I have no desire to purchase or support irradiation, let alone eat irradiated food. We (consumers) have the right to know what has been done to our food.

Thus I support prominent labeling of irradiated foods. I believe the FDA should require that all food, packaged or fresh, that has been irradiated include both the logo for irradiation and a statement like, "Treated by irradiation." These labels should not be hidden in the list of ingredients but prominently displayed.

Please help keep the choice in the consumer's hand!

Thank you,

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